BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-2-E - ORDER NO. 2005-157

APRIL 1, 2005

IN RE: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company. ORDER GRANTING ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of Damon Xenopoulos, Esquire, for Admission to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. If the Motion is granted Xenopoulos would appear before the Commission as counsel for SMI Steel-South Carolina in the hearing in Docket No. 2005-2-E, which is the annual review of base rates for fuel costs of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G). This hearing is presently scheduled for April 6, 2005.

Xenopoulos is an attorney who practices with the law firm of Brickfield,
Burchette, Ritts & Stone, PC in Washington, DC, and is a member in good standing of
the District of Columbia bar, according to his application. Further, Xenopoulos is a
member of the bar of a number of Federal Courts. Local counsel of record associated
with Xenopoulos are John F. Beach, Esquire and John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire. Further,
Xenopoulos has included an affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes,
law and procedural rules of the State of South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will

comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and the South Carolina disciplinary process.

It appears to this Commission that Xenopoulos has filed the proper *pro hac vice* application, and that he has made the necessary affirmations. We believe that he meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing in Docket No. 2005-2-E *pro hac vice*, and that he should be so admitted. We would note that the affirmation from the South Carolina Supreme Court that Xenopoulos has paid the necessary fee has not been received (SCACR 404), but the Commission can grant the requested admission contingent on receipt of documentation from the Court that the fee has been paid by the date of the hearing, April 6, 2005. In any case, we make the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Damon Xenopoulos, Esquire, a member in good standing of the District of Columbia Bar, has moved for *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-2-E, which is presently scheduled on April 6, 2005.
- 2. Xenopoulos has filed a proper application, and has made the necessary affirmations, as required by SCACR 404.
 - 3. Xenopoulos has associated South Carolina counsel.
- 4. Xenopoulos' Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted, contingent upon receipt by this Commission from the South Carolina Supreme Court of a document documenting payment of the necessary fee by the hearing date in this Docket.

ORDER

The Motion of Damon Xenopoulos, Esquire for *pro hac vice admission* to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-2-E is granted, contingent on receipt by this Commission from the South Carolina Supreme Court of a document documenting the Court's receipt of the requisite fee by the hearing date in this Docket of April 6, 2005. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

	/s/ Randy Mitchell, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
/s/ G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice-Chairman		
(SEAL)		